

Call for Presenters

4th Annual NJ Volunteer Water Monitoring Summit

November 2 & 3, 2006

Monmouth University

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Deadline: July 28, 2006

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, in cooperation with the Watershed Watch Network Advisory Council and Monmouth University, will host the 4th Annual Volunteer Water Monitoring Summit, November 2 & 3, 2006 at Monmouth University. The audience for this forum includes, local volunteers, watershed associations, volunteer program coordinators, private and public partners, academics, federal, state and local government representatives and other environmental stakeholders.

You are invited to participate as a presenter or by developing a session of multiple presenters. This year's theme is: **Converting data into information to initiate local changes.** Examples of presentations might include projects, programs or outreach tools that have been effective in meeting program goals and initiating change, and may focus on, but are not limited to, the topics below:

- ☐ Using information/data collected in the community to initiate change, focusing on successes and challenges
- ☐ Stormwater monitoring techniques, equipment and programs
- ☐ Recruiting and retaining volunteers
- ☐ Keeping a volunteer water monitoring program afloat: managing funding, equipment, mail list, and overall mission of the program
- ☐ Collaborative efforts in data sharing, program management; successes and challenges
- ☐ Marketing data, thinking outside the box
- ☐ Quality Assurance; successes and challenges
- ☐ Keeping the Big Picture in mind, connecting biological monitoring to visual surveys to determine if land use is causing a change in the biological community
- ☐ Selecting a contract lab, and keeping detection, reporting and minimum limits in mind, successes and challenges

The abstract will only be accepted via email and should be submitted by July 28, 2005 to Danielle.Donkersloot@dep.state.nj.us. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please email Danielle Donkersloot or call the NJDEP Division of Watershed Management, Office of Watersheds, Education, Estuaries, and Monitoring at 609-292-2113.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Provide your name and affiliation, as you would like them to appear in the conference literature. All communications regarding this proposed workshop will be directed to the primary contact presenter.

Primary Contact presenter: _____

Co presenter (if needed): _____

Organization / Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

Additional presenters: _____

PROPOSAL INFORMATION (electronic submissions strongly preferred):

1. Proposed Workshop Title: 2 to 10 words. Your title should capture the point of your presentation and will appear in the registration packet.

2. Your presentation is most appropriate for: (Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Established Volunteer Water Monitoring Programs
- ☐ New or Potential Volunteer Water Monitoring Programs

3. What length of time are you requesting? ☐ 45 minutes ☐ 90 minutes

4. What are your equipment needs? (Check as many items as needed.)

- ☐ TV/VCR
- ☐ Chalkboard or Paper Easel
- ☐ Laptop computer (bring presentation on CD)
- ☐ LCD projector
- ☐ Projection Screen
- ☐ Internet Access
- ☐ Stream Access

5. Brief Summary: Limit 50 words. Your summary will appear in the registration packet and other promotional materials.

6. Detailed Description: Limit 300 words. Your description will be used by the selection committee to choose the most appropriate proposals for the conference.

7. Biography: Limit 100 words. Briefly outline your credentials as a presenter. Include information on your education, professional experience, and previous workshop presentations. This information will be used to introduce you at the workshop.